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**PATENTS**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
<b>SALAZAR CARDOZO, Ruben</b>	)	
Serial No.: <b>09/932,234</b>	)	Group Art Unit: <b>Unassigned</b>
Filed: <b>August 17, 2001</b>	)	Examiner: <b>Unassigned</b>
For: <b>FIXED NETWORK SYSTEM FOR</b>	)	Atty. Docket No.: <b>SCH2</b>
<b>AUTOMATIC METER READING</b>	)	<b>(69904.104291)</b>
<b>HAVING A ONE-WAY LOCAL</b>	)	
<b>AREA NETWORK</b>	)	

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**PETITION FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF**  
**TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

December 17, 2001

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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), the undersigned attorney, on  
behalf of the Applicant, hereby petitions for a one (1) month extension of time from November  
18, 2001 to December 18, 2001 in which to file a response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of  
Non-Provisional Patent Application" that was mailed on September 18, 2001 in connection with

the above-identified patent application and which carried an original response date of November 18, 2001. The response, including a "Submission of Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Patent Application" and its accompanying "Declaration and Power of Attorney" document, is being filed concurrently herewith.

Enclosed please find Check No. 277829 in the amount of \$110.00 in payment of the fee, prescribed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1), for a one (1) month extension of time. Applicant believes that no other fee is due in connection with this Petition for One Month Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). However, if any additional or other fees are deemed to be due, please charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 20-1507.

Respectfully submitted,

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# **FEE TRANSMITTAL SHEET** **for FY 2002**

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## **Complete if Known**

Application Number	09/932,234
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First Named Inventor	SALAZAR CARDOZO, Ruben
Examiner Name	
Group Art Unit	
Attorney Docket No.	SCH2 (69904.104291)

**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$)**240.00**

### **METHOD OF PAYMENT**

1. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any over payments to:

Deposit Account Number: 20-1507

Deposit Account Name: TROUTMAN SANDERS LLP

☒ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

2. ☒ **Payment Enclosed:**  
☒ Check ☐ Credit card ☐ Money Order ☐ Other

### **FEE CALCULATION**

**1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Fee Code	Large Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Small Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101	740	201	370	Utility filing fee	
106	330	206	165	Design filing fee	
107	510	207	255	Plant filing fee	
108	740	208	370	Reissue filing fee	
114	160	214	80	Provisional filing fee	
<b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b>					<b>0.00</b>

**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

Large Fee Code	Large Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Small Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20	
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
109	84	209	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
<b>SUBTOTAL (2)</b>					<b>0.00</b>

### **FEE CALCULATION (continued)**

**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

Large Fee Code	Large Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Small Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	130.00
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	110.00
116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within second month	
117	920	218	460	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1440	218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1960	228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
149	740	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
Other fee (specify)					
<b>SUBTOTAL (3)</b>					<b>240.00</b>

\* Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

### **SUBMITTED BY**

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